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2a) <u></u> ☐	This action is FINAL . 2b)	This action is non-final.					
3)[Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposit	ion of Claims						
5)⊠ 6)⊠	Claim(s) <u>1-31</u> is/are pending in the applicate 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are with Claim(s) <u>18-31</u> is/are allowed. Claim(s) <u>1,5,7,8,10 and 17</u> is/are rejected Claim(s) <u>2-4,6,9 and 11-16</u> is/are objected Claim(s) are subject to restriction	thdrawn from considerations. d. d to.					
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 2. Claims 1, 5, 7, 8, 10 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Lambert (WO 00/60397).

Lambert discloses (see figure 1), as in claims 1, a color lighting system, comprising: a light source (see near ref. 16) to emit light; a color beam separator (dichroic cube) separating incident light emitted from the light source according to predetermined wavelength bands and transmitting the separated beams at different angles (the red, blue and green light exits the dichroic cube at different angles); a first condensing lens (12) condensing the separated beams; and a scrolling unit (10) changing travel paths of the condensed beams in color bars at different locations, and scrolling the changing of the travel paths of the condensed beams so as to periodically scroll the color bars.

Lambert discloses (see figure 1), as in claims 5, wherein the first condensing lens is a cylindrical lens (12) for selectively condensing light incident on the first condensing lens, only along particular incidence paths.

Lambert discloses (see figure 1), as in claims 7, wherein the scrolling unit comprises: a first cylindrical array lens (14), including a plurality of adjacently disposed cylindrical lenses converging and diverging light, incident on the first cylindrical array lens, independently; and implicitly discloses a first driving unit providing a driving force to scroll light exiting the first

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cylindrical array lens and reciprocatingly-drive the first cylindrical array lens in a direction perpendicular to an optical axis of the incident light.

Lambert discloses (see figure 1), as in claim 8, wherein the scrolling unit further comprises: a second cylindrical array lens (15), separated from the first cylindrical array lens, including a plurality of adjacently disposed cylindrical lenses converging or diverging light, incident on the second cylindrical array lens, independently, and implicitly discloses a second driving unit providing a driving force to reciprocatingly-drive the second cylindrical array lens in a direction perpendicular to the optical axis of the light incident on the second cylindrical lens.

Lambert discloses (see figure 9), as in claim 10, wherein the scrolling unit comprises: a turning cylinder array lens (45), rotatably disposed along an optical path of light, incident on the scrolling unit, including a plurality of adjacently disposed cylindrical lenses, along an outer circumference portion of the turning cylinder array lens, having a cylinder shape; and a driving unit rotatably driving the turning cylinder array lens (page 15).

Lambert discloses (see figure 9), as in claim 17, wherein the predetermined wavelength bands consist of three separate predetermined wavelength bands for three separate colors (see fig. 1 where light is separated into band of blue, green and red light).

Reasons for Allowability

- 3. Claims 18-31 are allowed.
- 4. Claims 2-4, 6, 9, 11-16 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowability: The prior art taken either singularly or in combination fails to anticipate or fairly suggest the limitations of the independent claim(s), in such a manner that a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102 or 103 would be proper. The prior art fails to teach a combination of all the claimed features as presented in claim(s) 2-4, 6, 9, 11-16 and 18-31, wherein the claimed invention comprises a light source, a color beam separator separating light from the light source according to wavelength bands and transmitting the separated beams at different angles, a first condensing lens condensing the separated beams, a scrolling unit changing the travel paths of the condensed beams in color bars and periodically scrolling the color bars, and further having a uniform light forming unit transforming the light exiting the scrolling unit into uniform light as claimed. The prior art also does not disclose the diffractive surface limitations of claims 6, 9 and 11, or the inclination of the first, second and third dichroic mirrors of claim 2. The combination of all the claimed features are not anticipated or made obvious by the prior art and all of said features are relied upon for a determination of allowability.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The following references are cited for being related patent documents and/or disclosing a particular color separating and condensing feature: Kim et al. (6811263, 6824270,

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20040233342, 20040263793), Nishida et al. (20020027642, 20020048000), Ouchi (20030072084, 20040246590) and Cho et al. (20040057018, 20040246445, 20040257387).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ricky L Mack whose telephone number is (571) 272-2333. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (6:30 AM to 4:00 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Georgia Y. Epps can be reached on (571) 272-2328. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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